LAWRENCE M. BASKIR





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Chief Judge Lawrence M. Baskir was appointed a judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims on October 22, 1998. On July 11, 2000, President Clinton designated him Chief Judge. Judge Baskir graduated magna cum laude from Princeton University, A.B., 1959, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, and received his LL.B. from Harvard Law School in 1962.

Judge Baskir formerly served as Principal Deputy General Counsel, Department of the Army (1994-1998). In this capacity, he was deputy chief legal advisor to the Secretary of the Army and other senior Army officials; acted for the General Counsel to determine, coordinate, and oversee Army position in litigation and policy matters; represented Army in matters involving other Federal entities.

Prior to this, he was in private practice and Editor-in-Chief, Military Law Reporter (1981-1994), Legislative Director to Senator Bill Bradley (D-N.J.) (1979-1981), Deputy Assistant Secretary (Legislation), Office of the Secretary, Department of the Treasury (1977-1979); Director, Vietnam Offender Study; Faculty Fellow, University of Notre Dame Law School (1975-1977), Director, Presidential (Ford) Clemency Board, White House (1974-1975); and Chief Counsel, Subcommittees on Constitutional Rights and Separation of Powers, Senate Judiciary Committee, Senator Sam J. Ervin, Chairman (1967-1974).

Judge Baskir's publications include Chance and Circumstance: The Draft, the War and the Vietnam Generation, and other books and articles. He was a consultant to Information and Intelligence Committees, U.S. Congress; Adjunct Professor and Lecturer, Georgetown, Notre Dame, Catholic Law Schools, and American University.

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